



Merrick Board of Equalization Minutes



February 11, 2014

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Kucera, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, and Wiegert present. County Attorney Homolka was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and the Merrick County Website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Moved Kucera, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda: Moved Graves, second Kucera to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Hahn, second Kucera to approve the minutes as published for January 28, 2014. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Set hearing: Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve the permissive exemption hearing for Palmer Bible Fellowship and Merrick Foundation on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Taxation of accretion ground: Assessor Placke said that taxes on accretion ground are figured like all other taxes. Placke said there are different categories in farmland and she would like at some point get to that with accretion because there is a lot of difference in usage. Some accretion was being assessed and some was not. They cannot categorize accretion as deeded and non deeded and sales are indicating higher than \$600.00. Sales show around \$1,100.00. Mike Reeves said they are taxing 48 miles of river based on one sale and now the whole County is being reevaluated for something that God made. This ground has no value to the farmer and no way for the farmer to recoup the cost. Placke said that all values have to be set by March 18. Placke told the Board that they have no jurisdiction on boundary issues

Adjourn: Moved Graves, second Hahn to adjourn at 9:26 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk